

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FIRST RESPONDER OPERATIONAL

STEP ONE- EXAMINATION ENTRANCE CRITERIA

Examination entrance criteria for this level is the following:

- 1- At least 18 years of age at the time of the examination.
- 2- Possess a high school diploma or GED at the time of the examination.
- 3- Be a member of the Massachusetts fire service. (See examination application section three (3) for details.)

STEP TWO- APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The enclosed application form must be used and the form may be duplicated. The application, "Medical Authorization for Certification" form, and fee must be submitted and received at the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy no later than the deadline date noted in the examination schedule. The fee must be in the form of a personal check, bank draft, money order, municipal check, or municipal purchase order made to the order of the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Trust Fund. All others will be rejected. Upon acceptance, the candidate will be assigned to the examination date requested on the application. All applicants will be notified by mail and if accepted will be supplied with all examination procedures.

STEP THREE- WRITTEN EXAMINATION

This section will consist of 100 multiple choice questions given in a 120 minute period designed to examine the knowledge required by NFPA Standard 472, 2002 edition, for the levels of First Responder- Awareness, First Responder- Operational.

The reference materials from which the questions for this written examination will be drawn are the following International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA) manuals.

Hazardous Materials for First Responders, second edition.

Hazardous Materials- Managing the Incident, second edition.

Candidates will be issued a 2004 Emergency Response Guidebook and will be asked specific questions concerning this manual.